CMPSC-265 Data Structures and Algorithms

Zaihan Yang zyang13@suffolk.edu

Department of Math and Computer Science Suffolk University

Fall 2019

Notice

- HW6 posted. Will be due on this Sunday midnight.
- Quiz 2 on this Wednesday
- Midterm_Exam1 will be held on:
 - Time: Oct 23rd (Wednesday)
 - Location: the same classroom
 - Topics:
 - The 1st week to this week's topics

Recap

- Double-ended singly linked list
- Implementing Stack using single-ended singly linked list
- Implementing Queue using double-ended singly linked list
- Doubly linked list

Learning Topics

- Abstract data types and Interface
- Sorted linked list
- Recursion

10/11/19

Abstract Data Types

- A class is a data type
- Abstract data type is a class without regard to its implementation
 - What Vs How
 - Users not only don't know how the methods work, they also don't know what structure is used to store the data
- Example: Stack, Queue, Priority Queue
 - User knows about push and pop, but doesn't need to know how push and pop work, or even whether data is stored in array or Linked List, or,

- - -

Interface

- Abstract data type specification, interface, is what the class user sees
 - List of public methods
 - No implementation

Implementation is delegated to classes

Interface

An interface can be implemented by different classes

```
public class ArrayStack implements Stack
{//implement using arrays}
```

public class ListStack implements Stack
{//implement using Linked List}

- It simplifies the design
- You can change the implementation without affecting the user's code

Sorted Linked List

- Insertion/Deletion faster than array, no need to shift.
 - Still O(n) for comparisons
- How about binary search on a sorted linked list?
 - Not effective, O(n)

Insertion in a Sorted Linked List

```
public void insert(int item)
          Link newLink = new Link(item);
          Link previous = null;
          Link current = first;
          while (current!=null && current.data<item) {
          // traverse until end of list, if current=null or spot is found
                     previous = current;
                     current=current.next;
          if (previous==null) {// check if at the beginning of the list
                     first = newLink;
          else {
                     previous.next = newLink ;
           newLink.next = current;
```

Sort using a Linked List

- Given an unsorted array, we can take items one by one and insert them into a sorted linked list. It will keep them sorted, and we can move items back to the array at the end.
- Is it better than insertion sort in an array?
 - Still O(n^2) for comparisons
 - More efficient in terms of shifting/moving items
 - Needs additional memory

Recursion

- Iterative approach
 - Use loops to repeat a task, "while", "for", ...
- Recursive approach
 - A method calls itself
 - Each time with different parameters
 - Until we reach a trivial base case

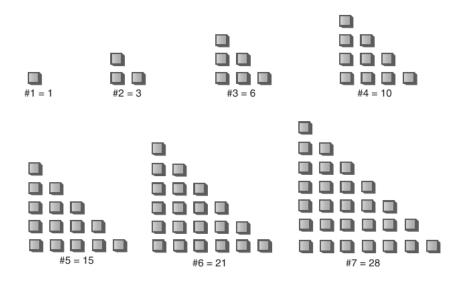
Several Recursion Problems

- Triangular numbers
- Factorial numbers
- Fibonacci numbers
- Binary Search
- All anagrams of a word
- Display the entire Linked list
- Towers of Hanoi

10/11/19

Example-Triangular Numbers

- Guess the next number: 1,3,6,10,15,...? 21
- Triangular numbers:
 - The *n*th term is obtained by adding n to the previous term



Example-Triangular Numbers

Write a method to return the nth term.

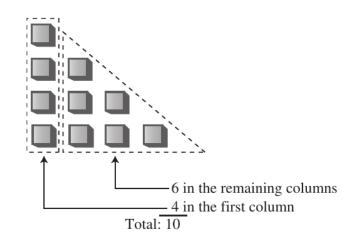
Iterative approach:

```
int triangle(int n)
{
    int total = 0;
    while(n > 0) // until n is 1
    {
        total = total + n; // add n (column height) to total
        --n; // decrement column height
    }
    return total;
}
```

```
1 in this column
2 in this column
3 in this column
4 in this column
Total: 10
```

Example-Triangular Numbers

- Recursive approach:
 - The first(tallest) column + sum of the remaining columns



How does recursion work?

Pass 5, and print where we are

Is Recursion Efficient?

- Overhead of function calls
 - Activation record should be pushed to stack
 - Contains the return address, as well
- It simplifies the problem conceptually.
- Sometimes recursion is more intuitive (e.g. trees).

Example-Factorial

Write a method to compute n!

```
4!=4*3*2*13!=3*2*1In general n!=n*(n-1)!
```

Similar to triangular numbers, except multiplication is used instead of addition.

Example-Recursive Binary Search

- Write a recursive version of binary search.
 - Recall the idea: divide the sorted array in half, compare the middle with the key and decide which half to continue

```
int binarySearch(int arr[], int lowerBound, int upperBound, int key)
    if (upperBound >= lowerBound)
                                                            We want to call the search
       int mid = (lowerBound + upperBound ) / 2;
                                                            method as binarySearch(arr,
       if (arr[mid] == key)
         return mid:
                                                            key)
       if (arr[mid] > key)
         return binarySearch(arr, lowerBound, mid-1, key);
       return binarySearch(arr, mid+1, upperBound, key);
     return -1;
```

Divide-and-Conquer

- It is an algorithm design approach
- Divide the big problem into smaller problems and solve each one separately,...
- Continue until the base case

 Recursive binary search is an example of divide-andconquer approach

Example-Anagram

- Write a method to print all anagrams of a word.
 - Anagram of a word is a reordering of its letters
- Example: what are all the anagrams of "abc"?
 - "abc", "acb", "bac", "bca", "cab", "cba"
- How many anagrams with n letters?
 - n!

Example-Anagram

Idea:

 Take each letter and concatenate it with all anagrams of the remaining letters.

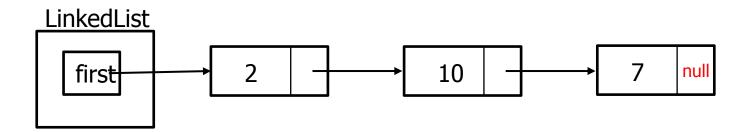
Example-Fibonacci Numbers

- Guess the next number: 0,1,1,2,3,5,8,...? 13
- What is the recursive relation?
 - fib(n)=fib(n-1)+fib(n-2)
- What is the base case?
 - fib(0)=0 and fib(1)=1

Example-Fibonacci Numbers

```
int fib (int n) {
         if (n<=1) // base cases
                  return n;
         else
                  return fib(n-1)+fib(n-2);
What is the time complexity?
         Let's trace it for fib(5)
         So, is in O(2^n)
     How about space complexity?
      O(n)
```

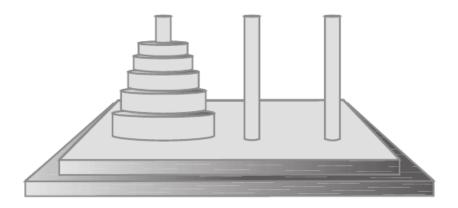
Example-displayList()



- Recall the iterative version:
 - · Start at the beginning of the list,
 - and then Go over Links one by one using the next reference.

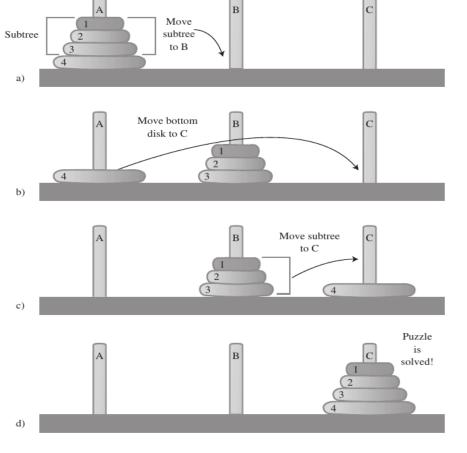
Example-Towers of Hanoi

- A classic example/puzzle
 - We have 3 towers and n disks
 - We want to move disks from the first tower to the last tower
 - Move one disk at a time
 - Cannot place a disk on top of a smaller disk



Example-Towers of Hanoi

- Recursion Idea
 - n=1, easy to move one
 - n=2, easy too
 - n=3?



Example-Towers of Hanoi

Recursive algorithm

```
public static void moveDisks(int n, char from, char inter, char to)
{
   if (n==1)
       System.out.print("move 1 from "+from+" to "+to);
   else
       {
       moveDisks(n-1, from, to, inter);
       System.out.print("move "+n+" from "+from+" to "+to);
       moveDisks(n-1, inter, from, to);
     }
}
```